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1. ~~Destroyer~~ ~~Visit~~ ~~Yanbu~~. February 25-26 Destroyer USS LLOYD THOMAS visited Yanbu, Port, the inland holy city of Medina now being dredged and enlarged. Although visit made at urgent request of SAC, Yanbu authorities had not been informed. About 150 townspeople visited the ship. Local Amir Salman bin al-Jahani al-SINAYRI and other dignitaries were taken for 2-hour cruise and firing demonstration afternoon February 26. (UNCLASSIFIED)

2. ~~Comment~~ ~~Despite~~ ~~that~~ ~~visit~~ ~~was~~ ~~complete~~ ~~surprise~~, LLOYD THOMAS was graciously received. Yanbu citizens seemed pleased and impressed by call. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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